Demand by Tamil Nadu for increase in royalty on lignite

1091. SHRI V. P. DURAISAMY: Will the Minister of COAL be pleased to state:

(a) whether the State Government of Tamil Nadu has been urging the Central Government to raise royalty on lignite for more than a year;

(b) if so, what is Government's reaction thereto; and

(c) whether Government would accept the request of the State Government?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COAL (SHRI N. T. SHANMUGAM): (a) to (c) A proposal for enhancement of the existing rate of royalty on lignite has been received from the Government of Tamil Nadu and is under consideration of the Government.

Expenditure on welfare activities in coalfields

† l092. SHRI DILIP SINGH JUDEV: Will the Minister of COAL be pleased to state:

(a) the amount spent for the development and welfare activities in the urban and rural areas of South-East coalfields and Mahanadi Coalfields during the years 1995-96 and 1999-2000;

(b) the works on which and the places where such amount was spent; and

(c) the details of the funds spent and areas selected for these works in 1997-98?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COAL (SHRI N. T. SHANMUGAM): (a) As reported by Coal India Limited, the amount spent during 1995-96 and 1999-2000 for the

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urban and rural development/welfare activities in the peripheral areas of South Eastern Coalfields Limited and Mahanadi Coalfields Limited is as under:—
(Rs. in crores)

Company	1995-96	1999-2000
	Urban and Rural Development activities under Community Development Programme	Urban and Rural Development activities under Community Development Programme (Provisional)
South Eastern Coalfields Limited	1.56	2.36
Mahanadi Coalfields Limited	2.66	2.05

(b) The details of the activities for urban and rural development under Community Development Programme/Welfare Activities in respect of South Eastern Coalfields Limited and Mahanadi Coalfields Limited are given in the Statement-I (see below). The details of places where these activities were carried out are as under:—

South Eastern Coalfields Limited

Korba, Hasdeo, Sohagpur, Johilla, Jamuna & Kotma, Kusmunda, Chirimiri, Bisrampur, Baikuntpur, Bhatgaon, Raigarh, Gevra and SECL Headquarter.

Mahanadi Coalfields Limited

lb Valley, Lakhanpur, Basundhara (Sundargarh), Jagannath Area, Kalinga, Talcher, Hingula, Lingaraj Area and MCL headquarter at Sambalpur.

(c) The amount spent for the urban and rural development and'

welfare activities under Community Development Programme in respect of South Eastern Coalfields Limited and Mahanadi Coalfields Limited during 1997-98 works out to Rs. 2.51 crores and Rs. 5.90 crores respectively. The details of activities undertaken and areas selected are given in the Statement-II.

Statement-I

SI. No	Name of work	Year 1995-96 (Figures in No.)
South	**Eastern Coalfields Limited**	
1.	ConstructioiVRepair of Community Centre	7
2.	Installation of Hand Pumps	3
3.	Repairs of Hand Pumps	1
4.	ConstructioivExtensioivRepairs of Educational Institution Buildings	18
5.	ConstructioivRepairs of RoadsCulverts	9
6.	Medical Services and Health Camps	7
7.	Construction of Bus Stand	2
8.	Electrification	7
9.	Other Miscellaneous Works	24
Mahanadi Coalfields Limited		
1.	Installation of Hand PumpsTubewelVWater Supply	3
2.	ConstructioivRepairs of Education Institution Buildings	4
3.	ConstructioivRepairs of RoadsCulverts	2
4.	Other Miscellaneous Works	2

SI. No	Name of work	Year 1999-2000 (Figures in No.)
South Eastern Coalfields Limited		
1.	Construction/Repair of Community Centre	5
2.	Installation of Hand Pumps	20
3.	Repairs of Hand Pumps	3
4.	ConstructiorvExtensioiv'Repairs of Educational institutior buildings	35
5.	ConstructioivRepairs of Raods^culverts	20
6.	Sulab Souchalaya	3
7.	Medical Services and Health Camps	201
8.	Construction of Bus Stand	2
9.	Laying of pipeline for water supply	10
10.	Other Miscellaneous Works	15
Mahanadi Coalfields Limited		
1.	ConstructioivExtensioivfrepairs of Educational institution buildings	10
2.	Construction/Repairs of roads^culverts	7
3.	Medical Services and Health Camps	50
4.	Electrification	1
5.	ConstructioiVRepair of community centre	3
6.	Others Miscellaneous Works	16

Statement-II

SI. No.	Name of work	Year 1997-98 (Figures in No.)
South Eastern Coalfields Limited		
1.	Construction/Repair of Community Centre	6
2.	Installation of Hand Pumps	9
3.	Repairs of Hand Pumps	3
4.	ConstructionExtensioivR.epairs of Educational institution buildings	38
5.	Construction/Rpairs of Raods/culverts	23
6.	Medical Services and Health Camps	327
7.	Construction of Bus Stand	5
8.	Laying of pipeline for Water supply	12
9.	Other Miscellaneous Works	30
Mahanadi Coalfields Limited		
1.	Constructiontepair of Comminity Centre	5
2.	Installation of Hand Pumps	57
3.	Construction^Renovation of Well	1
4.	ConstructioiyRenovation of Ponds	3
5.	Water Supply through Pipelines	5
6.	ConstructioivExtension4lepairs of Educational institution Buildings	48
7.	ConstructioivRepairs of RoadsCulverts	9
8.	Medical Services and Health Camps	51
9.	Other Miscellaneous Works	23